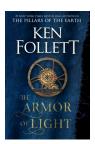
# HISTORICAL FICTION 2024



## The Armor of Light

by Ken Follett

In a new era of manufacturing and industry, as war in Europe engulfs the entire continent in 1770, a cast of unforgettable characters in Kingsbridge, England, are left to reckon with the future and a world they must rebuild from the ashes.



# **Bright Young Women**

by Jessica Knoll

When two women vanish without a trace in 1978, Tina Cannon believes they are targets of the All-American Sex Killer. Learning about the massacre at a Florida State University sorority, she heads to the Sunshine State where she is on a collision course with one last impending tragedy.



### The First Ladies

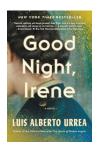
by Marie Benedict and Victoria Christopher Murray Initially drawn together because of their shared belief in women's rights and the power of education, civil rights activist Mary McLeod Bethune and First Lady Eleanor Roosevelt fight together for equality, together, through tragedy and triumph.



#### The Fraud

by Zadie Smith

In 1873 Victorian London, with the city mesmerized by the "Tichborne Trial," wherein a lower-class butcher from Australia claims he is the rightful heir of a sizable estate and title, Mrs. Eliza Touchet becomes determined to find out if he's really who he says he is or if he's a fraud.



### Good Night, Irene

by Luis Alberto Urrea

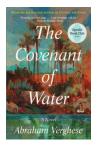
After D-Day, two heroic Red Cross women join the Allied soldiers streaming into France where they are embroiled in danger, from the Battle of the Bulge to the liberation of Buchenwald, and where they learn to trust again through their friendship.



## Banyan Moon

by Thao Thai

Three Vietnamese American women mourning the death of the family matriarch recount their lives and childhoods at a crumbling, gothic manor called Banyan House, where the secrets of their grandmother's past come to light.



### The Covenant of Water

by Abraham Verghese

Spanning the years 1900 to 1977, and set in Kerala, on South India's Malabar Coast, an epic of love, faith and medicine follows three generations of a family that suffers a peculiar affliction -- in every generation, at least one person dies by drowning.



## Flags on the Bayou

by James Lee Burke

Accused of murder, an enslaved woman goes on the run with an abolitionist schoolteacher in the fall of 1863, dodging police and slave catchers, in the new novel by the best-selling author of *If I Disappear*.



#### The Frozen River

by Ariel Lawhon

In 1789 Maine, midwife and healer Martha Ballard, who is good at keeping secrets, investigates a shocking murder linked to an alleged rape that has shaken her small town, especially when her diary lands at the center of the scandal.

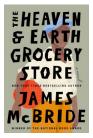


### Hang the Moon

by Jeannette Walls

After encouraging her younger step-brother to participate in daredevil activities leads to an accident, Sallie Kincaid is cast out of her family, in the new novel from the best-selling author of *The Glass Castle*.

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# The Heaven & Earth Grocery Store

by James McBride When a skeleton is unearthed in the small, close-knit community of Chicken Hill, Pennsylvania in 1972, an unforgettable cast of characters living on the margins of white, Christian America, closely guard a secret.



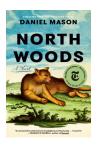
### The House of Eve

by Sadeqa Johnson
In 1950s Philadelphia and Washington, DC,
the lives of 15-year-old Ruby Pearsall,
whose affair threatens her dreams of
college, and Eleanor Quarles, who hopes
having a baby will gain her husband's
family's acceptance, collide in the most
unexpected of ways.



## The Last Kingdom

by Steve Berry When his protégé infiltrates a renegade group intent on winning Bavarian independence from Germany, with everything hinging on a lost 19th-century deed, Cotton Malone battles an evergrowing list of deadly adversaries.



#### North Woods

by Daniel Mason

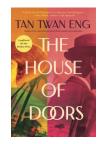
Exploring the many ways we're connected to our environment and to one another across time, language and space, this sweeping collection of stories about a single house in the woods of New England is told through the lives of an extraordinary succession of inhabitants.



### The Vaster Wilds

by Lauren Groff

Escaping from a colonial settlement in the wilderness, a servant girl, with nothing but her wits, a few possessions, and some faith, is tested beyond the limits of her imagination, forcing her to question her belief of everything she was taught.



### The House of Doors

by Tan Twan Eng

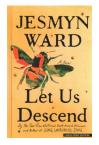
In 1921 Penang, when Willie, a famed writer and old friend of her husband's, arrives for an extended stay, Lesley makes a dangerous decision to confide in him about life in the Straits -- including her relationship with a charismatic Chinese revolutionary.



### Lady Tan's Circle of Women

by Lisa See

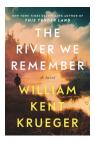
Sent into an arranged marriage, Tan Yunxian, forbidden to continue her work as a midwife or see her friend Meiling, is ordered to act like a proper wife, but seeks a way to continue treating women and girls in 15th-century China.



### Let Us Descend

by Jesmyn Ward

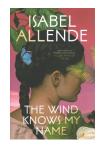
In the years before the Civil War, Annis, sold south by the white enslaver who fathered her, struggles through a miles-long march and seeks comfort from memories of her mother and stories of her grandmother.



### The River We Remember

by William Kent Krueger

When the body of a wealthy landowner is found floating in the Alabaster River on Memorial Day in 1958, Sheriff Brody Dern, a decorated war hero, struggles to solve this murder that has the town up in arms, while putting to rest his own past demons.



### The Wind Knows My Name

by Isabel Allende

Vienna, 1938. Samuel Adler is five years old when his father disappears during Kristallnacht, and his mother secures a spot for him on a train out of Nazi-occupied Austria to England. He boards alone, carrying nothing but a change of clothes and his violin. Translated from Spanish.



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